

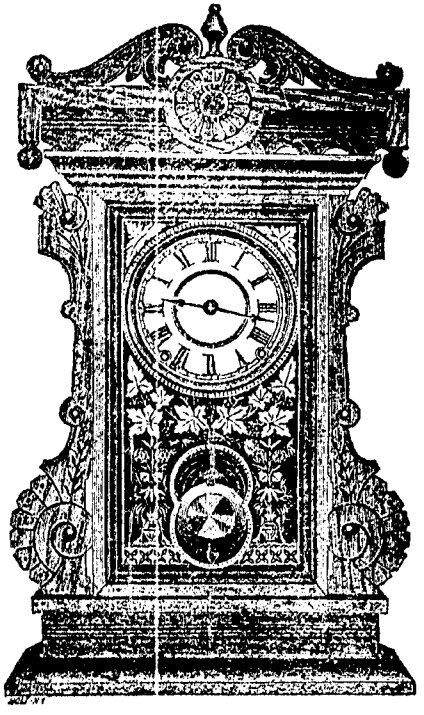
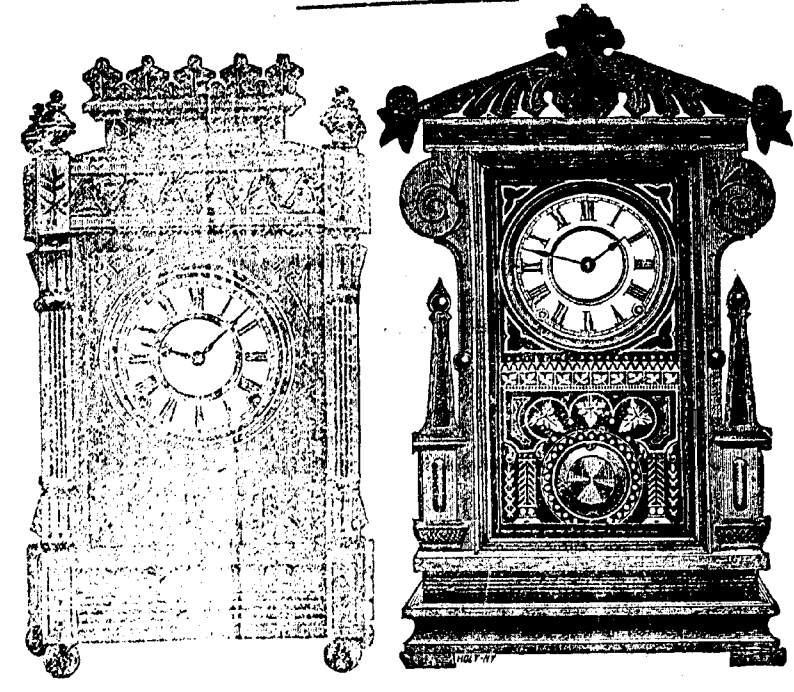
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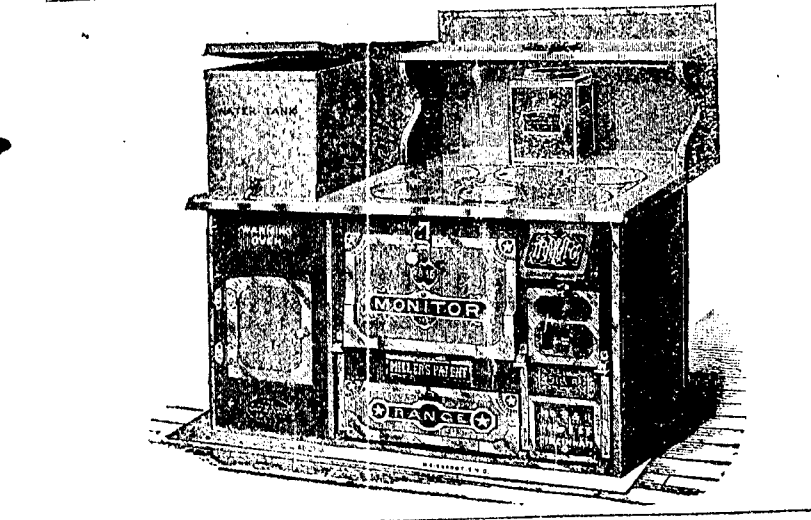
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**BEHIND THE CURTAIN.**  
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He will be locked up every night in one of the upper cells. He slept well last night and looked fresh and merry this morning when he appeared for breakfast.  
Joe Maury, the sheriff's son, who officiates as turnkey, asked his father yesterday if he should have the prisoner heavily ironed and put in charge of a "death watch," a man to sit on a stool at the prisoner's cell door, keeping constant guard day and night to prevent the prisoner from doing himself any bodily harm and guard against any attempt to escape. The sheriff hesitated against this extreme notion, believing that some time will elapse yet before the sentence will have to be carried out.  
Since the sentence was passed, the Sheriff has been thinking frequently where the execution will take place, in case there is no commutation of sentence. He doesn't like to hang the man in the body of the jail, and he regrets that it is his official duty to perform the act of the hangman. But if the man is to hang he will do the work to the best of his ability. He would like, however, to have the execution occur out side of the jail. Perhaps the board of supervisors will be asked to erect a scaffold on the lot adjoining the jail, the same to be enclosed from public view by a temporary building.  
The Sheriff has received a number of letters from different parts of the country since the murder was committed, asking about the prisoner. One letter came from a lady in Indiana, who inquired after an absent and wayward brother; she thought that possibly Westbrook was the absent one who had not been heard from for a number of years. She was given a description of the prisoner and was assured that Westbrook was not her brother. A similar inquiry came from an anxious woman living in Missouri. Other letters came from parties wanting particulars of the deed and trial, and asking for passes to witness the execution.  
It is not the purpose of the Sheriff to make the execution, if it becomes necessary to carry out the sentence, in any sense a public affair. He will issue cards of admission to one representative of each of the Deatur papers, but beyond the reporters and necessary officers he is not now prepared to promise any courtesies. In fact he doesn't care to talk much about the execution.  
The reporter had a chat with Attorney I. R. Mills this morning. He says he is now making speedy preparations to apply for a supersedeas to give the prisoner a final hearing before the supreme court. The expense of making the transcript of evidence and preparing the record will not be less than \$600 or \$700, but he says the expense will be met in some way. A number of parties have already volunteered to contribute liberally to the fund. Mr. Mills added that he is not actuated by sentiment in the matter. He feels that a great responsibility rests upon him, and that he cannot act conscientiously or secure that full peace of mind given the attorney who knows he has done everything in his power for a condemned client, until he has exhausted every possible hope of securing commutation of sentence for Westbrook. Mr. Mills says he honestly believes that Judge Smith erred in admitting the dying statement of Gross to the jury, and will not rest satisfied until the supreme court has reviewed that question and has given its judgment. This is no doubt true, but that one of the supreme court judges will grant a supersedeas in a case of such importance, which of course will put off the day of execution until the case is argued and decided before the full bench with the evidence and briefs.  
The story is abroad, started by some one unknown, that Westbrook was in Missouri for his trial, and that in case the prisoner had been acquitted, Sheriff Maury had the papers in his possession to rearrest Westbrook. There is no truth in the yarn. The Sheriff says he presented before the jury, and that so far as he knows the prisoner was never before implicated in any stabbing or shooting affray.  
Those who have bought tickets for "Damon and Pythias" to-morrow night can check off reserved seats at Prescott's music store.  
THERE was an audience of good size at the opera house last night to witness the "Chris and Lena" performance by Pete F. Baker and his company. The plot is thin but the specialties of Mr. Baker, who is a clever, German comedian, took well from the start. He is well supported by Billy Hines, as the ideal Irishman, and by Miss Lottie Miller, the soprano. Mr. Hines had a very bad cold, indicating that he must have slept in an ice house recently. The company left for Springfield yesterday.

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